REMARKS

Status of the Claims:

The Office Action dated October 23, 2003 has been received and reviewed by the applicant. Claims 1-4 are in the application. Claims 1-4 stand rejected. Claim 1 is amended. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Baker (US Patent 6,278,455) and Harvill et al. (US Patent 6,559,845). Amended claim 1 now includes the limitation of "audibilizing information that further defines characteristics contained within the image or content by directing the animated object to deliver the information." (Emphasis added) These limitations were in the original claim, but one of the salient limitations was embedded in the middle portion of the element. It is rearranged to clearly point that the information is audibilized. In contrast, neither Baker nor Harvill et al. discloses aubible information delivered to the user. Still further, Baker defines a computer "directory" upon specified commands of the user. This claerly does not teach or suggest "defining characteristics in the image or content." This provides the user with the advantage of a user-friendly mechanism of retrieving valuable information about details of the displayed content.

Should the Examiner consider that additional amendments are necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, the favor is requested of a telephone call to the undersigned counsel for the purpose of discussing such amendments.

For the reasons set forth above, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and favorable action are respectfully solicited.

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